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SUBJECT: VISIT TO US BY CONGOLESE ENERGY AND MINES MINISTER ADADA

1. CONGOLESE ENERGY AND MINES MINISTER ADADA DEPARTS
BRAZZAVILLE APRIL 22 FOR US, VIA PARIS. HIS ETA
NEW YORK IS APRIL 27.

2. ADADA WILL TRAVEL FROM NEW YORK TO HOUSTON,
FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH COASTAL STATES REGARDING THE
POINTE-NOIRE OIL REFINERY, AND WITH CANADIAN SUPERIOR,
CONCERNING THE OFF-SHORE OIL CONCESSION AT KAYES.
ADADA TOLD CHARGE APRIL 14 THAT CANADIAN SUPERIOR,
MOST OF THOSE FINANCING WOULD BE FROM AMERICAN
SOURCES, DOES NOT WISH TO INVEST IN CONGO IF
COASTAL STATES IS AWARDED REFINERY CONTRACT.
ACCORDINGLY, FOLLOWING HIS MEETINGS WITH COASTAL
STATES AND CANADIAN SUPERIOR, ADADA REQUESTS
DEPARTMENT ARRANGE, THROUGH AMBASSADOR MONDJO,
MEETINGS IN HOUSTON WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF BUTTES
AND HOUSTON OIL AND MINERALS, TO DISCUSS KAYES
CONCESSION.

3. AFTER HOUSTON, ADADA, WHOSE MINISTRY WILL OVERSEE
CONGOLESE PARTICIPATION IN ERTS PROGRAM, WOULD LIKE
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VERY MUCH TO VISIT EROS CENTER AT SIOUX FALLS (IF
THAT IS NOT FEASIBLE, SUGGEST VISIT BE PROGRAMMED
AT GODDARD SPACE CENTER). HE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO
MEET WITH REP OF WYOMING MINERALS (WE SUGGEST
DAWSON), TO DISCUSS URANIUM.

4. ADADA ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE ALAN GOLDIE OF

CITIBANK, TO DISCUSS AGAIN POSSIBLE CITIBANK INTEREST IN FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS IN CONGO'S ELECTRICITY LINKS. DURING LAST WEEK'S MEETING OF MIXED ZARIAN-CONGOLESE COMMISSION (BRAZZAVILLE 424), BOTH PARTIES AGREED TO STRENGTHEN ELECTRICITY LINK BETWEEN KINSHASA AND BRAZZAVILLE, AND ADADA BELIEVES THAT CITIBANK'S FINANCING FOR THAT PURPOSE WOULD THUS HAVE VERY MUCH A REGIONAL ASPECT. ADADA ALSO SEEKS FINANCING FOR POWER LINKS BETWEEN POINTE-NOIRE AND LOUDIMA AND BOUENZA AND LEBRIZ STATIONS. HE ESTIMATES TOTAL FINANCING REQUIRED WOULD BE 8.8 MILLION DOLLARS.

5. ADADA ALSO WISHES TO MEET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF SKARUP, IN GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT, AS WELL AS WITH REPS OF LUMMUS, IN NEW JERSEY, TO DISCUSS OIL REFINERY (WE UNDERSTAND MESSRS. FOTI AND LEONARD WOHADLO ARE INTERESTED ON LUMMUS SIDE).

6. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE WOULD GREAT APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE RENDERED TO ADADA.
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